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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Ronald W. Barrett, *et al.*

Application No.: 09/675,525

Filed: September 29, 2000

For: COMPOUNDS DISPLAYED ON  
REPLICABLE GENETIC PACKAGES  
AND METHODS OF USING SAME

Examiner: Unknown

Art Unit: 1653

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 125 as follows:

125. (Once amended) A method of screening a library of compounds, comprising:

(a) for each compound to be screened, contacting the compound with a replicable genetic package to form a plurality of replicable genetic packages displaying different compounds; and